

Fair and slightly cooler tonight. Tuesday fair; northwest winds.

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## POTOMAC JUNIORS WIN IN THEIR EVENT

Washington Eight Beats Baltimore in Middle States Regatta.

## JUNIOR SINGLES WON BY ALLISON

Beats Davis, of Potomacs, in Hair-Raising Finish—Gordon Takes Association Singles.

### MORNING WINNERS

Association singles—Won by S. F. Gordon, West Philadelphia Boat Club. Junior Four-oared Gig—Pennsylvania Barge Club. Junior Singles—George W. Allison, West Philadelphia Boat Club; C. D. Davis, Potomac Boat Club, second. Senior Four-oared Shell—Vesper Boat Club, Philadelphia. Senior Single; Quarter-mile Dash—Fred Roessel, Harlem Rowing Club. Intermediate Quadruple Sculls—New Rochelle Rowing Club. Senior Doubles—G. W. Bownell and S. F. Gordon, West Philadelphia Club. Junior Eight-oared Shell—Potomac Boat Club.

Favored by perfect weather conditions and with the District shore of the Potomac and Aqueduct bridge lined with spectators, the forenoon program of the Middle States Rowing Regatta, which is being run under the auspices of the Potomac Boat Club, of Washington, furnished thrilling finishes and some of the best exhibitions of watermanship ever seen on the upper river. The feature event of the day, and the winning of which meant more than any other number on the morning program, was the junior eight-oared race between four of the most evenly matched crews that have ever rowed in competition on the Potomac.

After a grueling struggle, with first one and then another crew taking the lead, the Potomac Boat Club crew, of Washington, by calling into play all their nerve and spurring at a killing pace forced a scant few yards ahead of the Arundels. Until the four crews reached the bridge all were abreast. The Potomacs were on the south side, the Arundels west, the Arundels next and the Virginia crew on the District side. Coming from under the shadow of the bridge the Potomacs shot ahead but only for a few yards.

The Virginia increased their stroke from 22 to 24, and made up the difference with the Arundels. The Potomacs gained a lead that was never headed, Arundel barely heading the Arundels for the place with the Virginia close up.

The sport was of the highest class. The entrants were quick to respond to the word, there was no floundering in getting the crews off to good starts, and with the exception of the senior four-oared-gig race the competition for first honors was hard fought and the finishes close and exciting.

The victory of George W. Allison, of the West Philadelphia Boat Club in the junior singles, which brought out eleven competitors, was the sensation of the morning.

How Allison Won. Allison in position No. 3 got off to a flying start and soon had a lead of a length ahead of the others, who remained well bunched, no open water separating them, until the bridge was reached.

The winner shot out from under the bridge with his advantage of one length increased by several yards. A few seconds later the crews of the other boats shot forth into view. So evenly were they matched that a faint line stretched from the north bank of the river to the south shore would have touched the bow of every boat except Allison, and the other which was badly out of the running, six boat lengths behind.

As the men left the shade of the bridge Sergt. P. Martin, of the University Barge Club, of Philadelphia, shot to the front. From then on Ellison, Martin, and C. D. Davis, of the Potomac Club, fought it out for first honors. Ellison, the youngest and lightest man in the race, tried to shove the best staying qualities, and with a magnificent spurt, managed to beat Davis for first honors, with Martin a close third.

Event No. 4 was the senior single quarter-mile dash, won by Fred Roessel, Harlem.

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### WEATHER REPORT.

Within the last twenty-four hours showers fell in the lower lake region, the Ohio Valley, the middle Atlantic States, Florida, and on the Carolina coast. An extensive area of rains has developed on the Gulf of Mexico. The temperature has fallen in the Lake region and the upper Mississippi Valley, and it has risen in the Northwestern States. The indications point to generally fair weather in the Eastern and Southern States during the next thirty-six hours, except that local showers are probable in central and southern Florida.

TEMPERATURE.

Bureau. Airfeels.

9 a. m. 70 80

10 a. m. 71 81

11 a. m. 72 82

12 noon 73 83

1 p. m. 74 84

2 p. m. 75 85

3 p. m. 76 86

SUN TABLE.

Sun rises 5:23

Sun sets 6:25

TIDE TABLE.

High water 1:40 a. m.

Low water 7:15 a. m.

High water 1:40 p. m.

Low water 7:15 p. m.

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## LABOR CELEBRATES ANNUAL HOLIDAY

Events Include a Gala Day at Benning and Excursions to All Resorts.

## C. L. U IS IN CHARGE AT OLD RACE TRACK

Old-Time Circus, Motorcycle Races, and Other Things on the Program.

Although no labor hosts marched through its wide avenues and streets to the stirring strains of martial music, Labor Day is being observed in Washington by all its citizens with excursions, speechmaking, boat races and other sports, and a general celebration. From the upper Potomac, where the big Middle States regatta is being held, to the Benning race track, where thousands make merry at the Central Labor Union celebration, work and business were laid aside, and the spirit of pleasure and recreation holds sway.

Along the shores of the Potomac stood crowds of people who cheered the boat crews on to greater efforts this morning. The day was beautiful, ideal for boat racing, and the warmth drew thousands from their homes to the river side to gaze on the fleet shells as they shot through the shimmering waters. Out at Benning, the scene in the race track grounds was an animated one. Members of organized labor were there in force. It was a labor's day, devoted to recognition of labor's power.

Every Attraction There.

With every attraction from a small country circus to the inevitable peanut vender, many sporting events to enliven the day, and over all a perfect sky, the celebration at Benning was a success.

Down the river and up the river, to Chesapeake Beach and to Glen Echo and Luna Park, suburban resorts, to the woods and to the fields, went Washingtonians on pleasure bent. The day, the last holiday of the summer season, marks the beginning of the end at the resorts, and as if intent on having one last good time, people thronged the resorts and held high carnival. Unfortunately there was no professional baseball in Washington today, but the amateurs are crossing bats in every available ball grounds and sizeable back yard in the District. Among the most sporting events of the day are the motor-cycle races at the Benning track this afternoon. The first twenty-five-mile endurance race for gasoline cycles ever held in Washington was pulled off. The titling tournament is a test of the endurance of the knights who ride at the rings with their long wooden lances, like the knights of old—only different. J. Enos Ray, of the Maryland Legislature, delivered the charge to the knights, dwelling on the good old days, when a suit of armor, a heavy sword, and a good stout horse.

Crowd Arrives Early

The gates were opened at the Benning track before 10 o'clock this morning, and before 11, the time set for the ball game between teams representing Columbia Typographical Union, No. 101, and the Painters and Decorators' Local Union, the grounds were crowded. Each car put off a full load of passengers at the gate all morning, and women and children were in the majority. Never before has any labor celebration been so well patronized.

Circus Well Patronized

This invitation was directed principally to the women and children, and the circus did a remarkable business. The big tent was crowded from the time the first few carloads of visitors arrived.

At 11 o'clock, the men drifted casually to the other end of the field, where the two baseball teams were warming up. Most of the women, however, held their places in the grandstand, to have vantage spots for the tournament and the motorcycle races.

It was 1 o'clock when the knights rode up the field, and listened to the inspiring remarks of J. Enos Ray, whose powerful voice and poetic eloquence roused the grandstand. Each one of them was in full costume and wearing the colors of his lady, who, he had received, should be crowned the queen.

After listening to the fiery message of Mr. Ray to go forth and do battle, each and every one, spear in hand, galloped off with waving plumes and a big determination. Then the tilting began. The knights, armed with the beribboned arches and brought out a early colored ring, was greeted with cheers and clapping. Grand Marshal Peeney said that before nightfall every one of the 25,000 union men in Washington, with their wives and families, would be at Benning to take part in the celebration.

In the morning there was a baseball game between members of Columbia Typographical Union, No. 101, and the Painters and Decorators' Local Union. The printers got three runs ahead in the first inning and held the lead.

What the bugle sounded for the grand tournament the baseball ground was deserted, and all eyes were turned to the rosters made a rush for points of vantage in the grandstand. The prize for the winner of the tournament is \$40 in cash.

Cleveland Unionists

Hear Haywood's Speech

CLEVELAND, Ohio, Sept. 7.—With William D. Haywood, of the Western Federation of Miners, as the principal speaker, and a parade with 15,000 men in line, Cleveland today had the greatest labor day in her history.

The address of Haywood will be the virtual opening of the socialist campaign. He will deal more with the labor question during the speech, but as

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## CHECK FOREST FIRES; \$4,000,000 DAMAGE

Four Counties Laid Waste and 14,000 Are Homeless.

## PROMPT STEPS TAKEN TO AID SUFFERERS

Relief Trains Rushed Into Hibbing and Martial Law Is Declared.

### Forest Fire Damage

Counties swept..... 4  
Persons homeless..... 14,000  
Property loss..... \$4,000,000

#### TOWNS DESTROYED.

Chisholm..... Hartley  
Sheando..... Pillsbury

DULUTH, Minn., Sept. 7.—With St. Louis, Itasca, and Carlton counties in Minnesota, and Douglas county, Wisconsin, laid waste, the forest fires which have raged near here for thirty-six hours are under control and further destruction of property is not expected, unless the wind takes an unfavorable shift.

Prompt action was taken today, following the issuance of Governor Johnson's proclamation last night, to relieve the suffering of the 14,000 people rendered homeless by the fire. A city of tents is springing up on the outskirts of the town of Hibbing, and in them, the thousands of refugees from the devastated towns are finding shelter. Martial law has been declared in the burned district.

Loss Is Immense.

Before the flames had been checked a property loss of \$4,000,000 had been caused. Chisholm, sixty miles north of Duluth, sustained the greatest loss, about \$2,000,000. Today only blackened ruins, smoking piles of charred wood, and little gray heaps of ashes, comprise what on Saturday was the most flourishing town on the Mesaba range. Hartley, Sheando, and Pillsbury are believed to have been destroyed. When the fire got beyond control Saturday, it swept down on Chisholm almost without warning, and the place was quickly destroyed. Hibbing was saved only by desperate fire-fighting and the sudden subsidence of the wind.

When Governor Johnson called out a company of militia late Saturday night, it was on information that the town was at work among the ruins of Chisholm. The militia kept the troops on the scene until order is restored.

Suffering Is Relieved.

The disaster is the greatest that has ever visited the Mesaba range. Special trains bearing provisions and clothing for the refugees are running into Hibbing today, and it is believed that by night most of the suffering will be relieved.

Three men and one woman are believed to have perished in the forest fire outside of Hibbing. They are three lumbermen and the wife of one of them. They were driven into town late yesterday by the flames, but later returned into the fire district to get their camp outfits. They have not been seen since.

At 9 o'clock today \$3,600 had been raised here for the sufferers at Chisholm and the subscriptions were coming in rapidly. The national guardmen today arrested eighty men found tampering with cash registers in the ruins. The moving of practically the whole population of Chisholm to Hibbing was accomplished without accident.

## AERIAL STOWAWAY GETS SAFE TO LAND

SAN JOSE, Cal., Sept. 7.—Fred Biaggi, eighteen, the first aerial stowaway on record, has returned unhurt from his trip in the balloon of W. I. Warring, a parachute performer. Biaggi made the trip on a bet. Just as the balloon cut loose, he ran forward and jumped into the rising under the bag. The balloon rose to a height estimated at 6,000 feet.

### MORNING GAMES.

#### NATIONAL LEAGUE.

Boston..... R. H. E. 1 0 0  
Brooklyn..... 0 1 0  
Batteries—Chapelle and Smith; Pasoriorius and Bergen. Umpire—Johnson.

New York..... R. H. E. 5 10 0  
Philadelphia..... 0 9 3  
Batteries—Wiltse and Bresnahan; Foxen and Dolin. Umpire—Emslie and Klein.

St. Louis..... R. H. E. 7 12 3  
Pittsburgh..... 2 2 1  
Batteries—Raymond and Ludwig; Leever and Gibson. Umpire—Rigler.

Cincinnati..... R. H. E. 6 6 0  
Chicago..... 0 2 0  
Batteries—Buc and McLean; Fraser and Kling. Umpire—O'Day.

#### AMERICAN LEAGUE.

Philadelphia..... R. H. E. 1 5 2  
Boston..... 6 10 2  
Batteries—Plank and Powers; Burchell and Criger. Umpire—Connolly.

St. Louis..... R. H. E. 4 9 5  
Detroit..... 4 9 5  
Batteries—Powell and Stephens; Winter and Schmidt. Umpire—O'Laughlin and Hurst.

Chicago..... R. H. E. 6 2 1  
Cleveland..... 0 2 0  
Batteries—Walsh and Sullivan; Joss and Bernis. Umpire—Sheridan.

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## IN AUTOMOBILE WRECK



SENATOR PHILANDER C. KNOX.

MRS. PHILANDER C. KNOX.

## FRIGHT NOT CAUSE ON TAFT'S TOURING

Republican Leaders Declare Bryan Is Mistaken in His Surmise.

NEW YORK, Sept. 7.—Republican campaign officers emphatically decline to admit that Mr. Bryan is right in his surmise that Mr. Taft is going on the stump "because he is scared."

They explained that a month ago he was overwhelmed with invitations to speak, and in order to end embarrassments, it was decided to give out flat announcements that he would not stump at all. This damned the deluge and gave time to consider where it would be desirable to speak, if at all. The decision has been made, and, therefore, announcement that a tour will be made follows.

The truth apparently is that both candidates and both campaign committees are scared. Mr. Bryan is going to invade the East, not because he is sure of the West, but because he is so uncertain about the West that he wants to take a chance of annexing something East. Likewise Taft will go West, not because he is dead sure of the East, but because he is worried about the West.

The Indiana story is that about six weeks ago a poll was made by the Republicans which showed the Democrats would carry their State ticket by a good round majority, and that the Democratic national ticket, trailing some 20,000 behind the State ticket, would have little better than an even chance to carry the State.

Second Poll on Now.

A second poll is being finished, and shows that the Republican national ticket has gained decidedly; that Kern has added little to Democratic strength; that Taft is safe and gaining; that chances are still against the Republican State ticket, but that it too, is gaining.

As to Ohio, the silence of the Republican managers is eloquent. They say no peace has been made with Foraker, and Taft has no Senatorial candidate; that is, Foraker is being let alone, and has an even chance for his white ally without national interference. The truth is that both national committees are coming to realize that the doubtful territory extends nearly everywhere. Mr. Taft may carry everything North, and three or four States South. Then again Mr. Bryan may get the solid South and a big sweep in the middle West, far West and middle East. And there is growing feeling that the difference between a Republican and a Democratic landslide may be caused by the change of a mighty small number of the popular votes. Margins are going to be small. Taft is unexpectedly strong South; Bryan is surprisingly strong North.

Result Will Be Close.

"I would not be surprised," said a politician who has been many years on one of the national committees, "if the winner should have one hundred majority in the Electoral College, and if he has I would not be surprised to find on a calculation that the change of 50,000 votes would have given the other man one hundred majority in the college."

Democrats are immensely pleased that Taft is going on the stump. They regard it an admission of weakness, and think Taft will be an ineffective stump-speecher. The number of Republican politicians who have misgivings about whether Taft will be a campaigning success is also great.

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## BLOWS OUT BRAINS ON BENCH IN PARK

Owen T. Callis to End His Life.

Owen T. Callis, an insurance solicitor, of 192 B street northeast, despondent because he had been unable to secure employment for the last month, blew his brains out while sitting on a bench in Stanton square this morning. He was thirty-nine years old.

Policeman Neff, of the Ninth precinct, was standing at Massachusetts avenue and Seventh street northeast, about 6:30 o'clock, when his attention was attracted by a man running toward him and waving his hands frantically. "A man has just shot himself on one of those benches up there," he told the patrolman. Neff told the man to go to the hospital and tell them to send an ambulance, while he hurried to the scene of the shooting.

Sitting on Bench.

Callis was sitting on the bench with the revolver still held against his right temple. The bullet, a .38-caliber, had gone through his brain. His fingers were locked about the handle of the pistol with a vice-like grip, and it was with difficulty that Neff managed to pry the weapon loose.

The man still showed signs of life, and the policeman endeavored to stop the flow of blood until the arrival of the ambulance. Callis died a few minutes after reaching the Casualty Hospital.

"This is no surprise to me," said Mrs. Callis, when informed that her husband had committed suicide. "I have been expecting it for some time. For over a month he has been out of work, and all he did was to worry."

Wife and Five Children.

Besides his wife, Callis leaves five children, the oldest of whom is a fifteen-year-old girl. Mrs. Callis said that her husband never kept a revolver in the house, and she did not know where he got the pistol with which he ended his life.

The revolver was a new one, and the police say Callis evidently purchased it Saturday. Several persons living in the neighborhood heard the shot, and rushed to the scene. Two men who were walking through the park saw the man as he placed the revolver to his temple and fired.

## TAFT SETTLES DOWN TO CAMPAIGN WORK

Vacation Ended Today—Is Billed for Two Speeches in Sandusky Tomorrow.

MIDDLE BASS ISLAND, Ohio, Sept. 7.—In leaving here today William Howard Taft bade farewell to rest and vacation and turned his face toward the real hard work of the campaign.

He went to Fremont, Ohio, at 11 o'clock today to be the guest of Webb Hayes, a son of President Hayes, at the old Hayes home. From there he goes to Sandusky tonight.

His work begins tomorrow, before he takes the train from Cincinnati. He will make two speeches in Sandusky, one at the Soldiers' Home at 2:30 a. m., and one in the town theater at 11:30, under the auspices of the Republican county committee.

At 1:40 p. m. tomorrow the party will start to Cincinnati, and on the way Judge Taft will make at least a dozen rear platform speeches.

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## LABOR HEARS BRYAN AT CHICAGO PICNIC

Nebraskan Defends Injunction Plank and Scores Republican Platform.

CHICAGO, Sept. 7.—William J. Bryan, Democratic candidate for President, is the guest of the Chicago Federation of Labor today.

On his arrival this morning, he was met at the train by a committee of fifty members of the central body and escorted to his hotel. Mr. Bryan was in his usual health, although a couple of good-sized boils on his neck interfered somewhat with his acknowledgment of the cheering that greeted him as he passed through the streets. Bryan is especially jubilant over the announcement by Judge Taft that he will make a speaking tour. Today, he commented sarcastically on the "change of heart" of the Republican managers, and intimated that, in his opinion, the "damage has already been done," and the speaking trip will not swing disgruntled Republicans into line. While Bryan was dressing to review the parade, National Chairman Norman E. Mack went over the Eastern situation.

It was explained to Bryan that State Chairman Connors and Leader Murphy, of Tammany Hall, have decided to lay aside their personal preferences, and will name any man for governor whom Bryan will suggest.

Bryan Is Staggered.

This unexpected complication staggered Bryan, but he declined to interfere in State politics.

At noon, Bryan reviewed the big Labor Day parade from the balcony of the hotel.

As soon as the parade was over, Bryan entered an automobile and was whisked to the Ironworkers Club, where he was the guest at the luncheon of the State committee. Bryan scored the committee for its failure to place legislative tickets in the field in every legislative district. As a result of this negligence, a Republican successor to Senator Hopkins is assured.

Speaks at Picnic.

This afternoon, Bryan is addressing a big Labor Day picnic, and tonight, as the guest of the International Association of Electrical Workers, he will speak again to labor at Brand's Hall. There are thirty national committee men as well as half a hundred State chairmen and secretaries here to participate in the conferences of today and tomorrow.

At these conferences, there will be outlined plans for pushing the State rights and the general conduct of the campaign will be discussed.

Mr. Bryan Speaks.

Mr. Bryan spoke in part as follows: "If it were proper to speak from a text, I would select a passage from Proverbs, for I know of no better one than that furnished by the words of Solomon when he declared that as a man thinketh in his heart, so is he. This is Bible doctrine; it is common sense, and it is human experience. We think in our hearts as well as in our heads—out of the heart 'are the issues of life.'"

"The world is growing toward brotherhood, and our nation is leading the way. There is more altruism in this country than anywhere else in the world."

"A long step toward the elevation of labor to its proper position in the nation's deliberations is to be found in the establishment of a Department of Labor, with a Cabinet officer at its head."

"The labor organization has been seriously handicapped by the fact that it has been—and I am not sure that it has not been—done unwittingly—yoked up with the trusts."

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## KNOX AUTO WRECKED; SON BADLY INURED

Tire of Their Big Mercedes Bursts and Collision Follows.

## SON OF THE SENATOR KNOCKED SENSELESS

Accident Occurred Near Geneva, Switzerland—All of Occupants Slightly Hurt.

GENEVA, Sept. 7.—Senator Philander C. Knox, of Pittsburgh, and his wife were slightly injured, and their son, Philander C. Knox, Jr., seriously hurt in an automobile collision yesterday.

The Knoxes were in their huge Mercedes car and were time burst. The chauffeur lost control for a minute and the car crashed into another big automobile.

The Knox car was thrown into a ditch, the occupants being hurled through the air.

Young Knox was badly bruised and was unconscious for several minutes. It was feared at first that he was internally injured. Mr. and Mrs. Knox were slightly bruised and Mrs. Knox suffered greatly from the shock. The three were placed in another automobile and taken to their hotel, the Beauvillage, where a doctor was called.

Automobile has been the chief recreation of the Knox family in their sojourn in Europe. They were attempting to pass the automobile into which their machine crashed, when the tire exploded. Judge James S. Young, of Pittsburgh, is accompanying the Knoxes, but he was not with them at the time of the accident.

## Members of the Family All Away From Home

Inasmuch as no member of the Senator's family is at present in Washington details other than those carried in the press dispatches were unobtainable this afternoon. Inquiry at the home of Mrs. R. S. McCook, whose daughter recently married the older son of the Senator, Reed Knox, developed that Mrs. McCook is spending the summer in Columbus, Ohio.

Senator Knox and family have been touring Europe in their large Mercedes car during the past summer. They were going at a high speed on a roadway, near Geneva, when a tire burst, and the chauffeur lost control of the car. It darted across the roadway in the path of an oncoming automobile, whose driver made a desperate attempt to stop his car but failed. The machines crashed together, and the Knox car was thrown into a ditch, the occupants being hurled to the ground. Young Knox was thrown some distance before striking the earth, and was rendered unconscious.

Rushed to Hospital.

After the first aid had been given he was placed in a machine, which collided with his father's car, and hurried to Geneva for medical attention. It was at first feared that he had been seriously injured internally. It is now believed that no internal injuries resulted, but the young man is undoubtedly severely hurt and will remain abroad for some time. Mrs. Knox, who is thought, will be able to be out again within a few days.

Judge James S. Young, of Philadelphia, who is accompanying the Knoxes in Europe, was not with them at the time of the accident. The chief recreation of the family during the family during their stay abroad have been long automobile trips, similar to the one which ended disastrously.

Is Favorite Here.

Philander, Jr., the youngest son of the Senator and Mrs. Knox, is a favorite with the very young society set here, being especially chummy with Charlie Taft and Quentin Roosevelt. His young friends among the official and diplomatic set in Washington are much exercised over his serious injuries and will await anxiously further details from abroad.

## SEARCH FOR BODIES OF MISSES PAIRO

Diver Busy at Deer Island Looking for Drowned Sisters.

DEER ISLE, Me., Sept. 7.—Another search will be made this afternoon to locate the bodies of Misses Eleanor and Alice Pairo, of Washington, which with three others have not been recovered from the waters off this island, where a party of seven were drowned by the overturning of a boat Tuesday night.

A diver reached here this morning and will make a descent during the afternoon. The boat, the Linnie Bell, was located yesterday by a searching party, under about eight fathoms of water. It is believed that the five bodies still unrecovered are caught probably in the rigging.

The brother of the Misses Pairo, Attorney Richard E. Pairo, of Washington, has been here since Thursday, vainly endeavoring to find some trace of his drowned sisters.

## WALKED TO HOSPITAL WITH BULLET IN HEAD

CHICAGO, Sept. 7.—George Blair, 509 Sedgwick street, spent much of his time at the National Emergency Hospital yesterday reading the newspapers, with a 22-caliber bullet in his head. He seemed to suffer no inconvenience from the ball of lead.

Blair, who is twenty-five years old, was shot in the forehead with a rifle that he and Lawrence O'Brien, a friend, were playing with Saturday. The wounded man then walked to the Emergency Hospital, a mile distant.